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In re Application of	:	
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Application No. 10/696,709	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: October 30, 2003	:	TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. 00952-8080	:	FROM RECORD
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This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed May 12, 2010

The request is **NOT APPROVED**.

The Office has revised its change in procedure for request to withdraw from representation applies to requests filed on or after May 12, 2008.

The Office will no longer accept address changes to a new practitioner or law firm filed with a Request, absent the filing of a power of attorney to the new representative. The Office will either change the correspondence address of record to the most current address information provided for the assignee of the entire interest who properly became of record under 37 CFR 3.71 or, if no assignee of the entire interest has properly been made of record under 37 CFR 3.71, the most current address information provided for the first named inventor.

Accordingly, the request to withdraw from record cannot be approved because the request to change the correspondence address is not that of: (1) the first named inventor; or (2) an assignee of the entire interest under 37 C.F.R 3.71 who has properly intervened.

If an assignee has intervened in this application, then a Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) or a copy of the actual assignment must be submitted with a renewed request.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the above-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

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